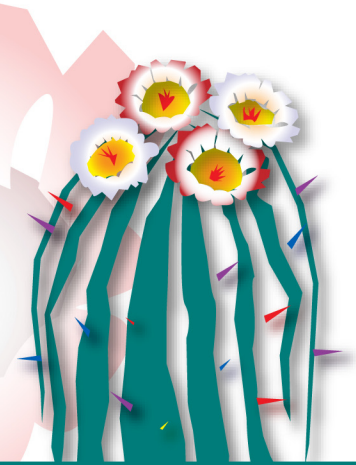




# Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Yvonne Knaack - City of Glendale, Barrel District

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## NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT SUCCESS STORY

### Roadrunner Estates West Project.

Neighbors living in the Roadrunner Estates West neighborhood, have new streetscape improvements, along the south side of Moutain View Road from 57th to 59th avenues, as the result of a neighborhood grant that funded the upgrades.

Councilmember Knaack, presented neighborhood leaders with a plaque to thank them for participating in the process to improve their neighborhood at a brief dedication ceremony on Thursday.



**Neighborhood Improvement Grants.** The city of Glendale recently approved eight grants totaling \$359,478, which will assist residents with improvements to their neighborhoods. Residents who live in neighborhoods that are at least 15 years old may apply for the improvement grants, which are awarded twice a year.

As part of its commitment to revitalizing and preserving older neighborhoods, the City Council established the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Neighborhoods to make funding recommendations on neighborhood improvement grant requests and to provide feedback on policies, strategies and programs relating to neighborhoods. The commission's recommendations support the Council's strategic goal of one community with strong neighborhoods.

The Commission reviewed eight neighborhood grant requests, which were then approved by the Mayor and City Council.

In the Barrel District, the commission voted to recommend Northern Manor West Homeowners Association's grant request to design a sidewalk and handicap ramp improvements along the east-side of 55th Avenue, from just north of Northern Avenue to just south of El Caminito Drive.

For more information on the Neighborhood Grants Program, [click here](#) or call the Neighborhood Partnership Office at 623-930-2868.

**Glendale Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Kickoff Celebration.** Please join us at 8 a.m. on June 9 for the Kickoff Celebration for the Glendale Avenue Corridor Redevelopment. The celebration will be held at the former Larry Miller Toyota building at 47th and Glendale avenues where demolition of the old dealership is set to begin at the future sight of the City Court Complex.

**Glendale's Public Art Collection.** Highlights of Glendale's Public Art Collection can be seen in an interactive tour right on your computer. The arts program, funded by the State's first percent-for-art legislation, is designed to increase the public's awareness and appreciation of art.

With the help of the City Council, the Arts Commission began to place artwork in public places throughout the city assuring that all of Glendale's citizens would benefit from a more beautiful and vibrant community. Pictured to the left is "Unsteady Steadiness" located at Sahuaro Ranch Park. Once on the tour, click on this or any of the art images to learn about the piece, the artist, location, and inspiration behind its origins. [Interactive tour.](#)

# *Around Town*

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**Film/Discussion Series Highlights Oscar-winning Movies.** Film scholar Jeannie Berg, an instructor at both Glendale and Scottsdale Community Colleges, is back for a third year to lead free viewings and discussions about award-winning films from the 1930s to the present at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. The cinema screenings are at 1 p.m., starting June 7 and continuing on consecutive Saturdays through July 26. The first film in the series, on June 7, will be “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington” (1939). [Click here](#) or call (623) 930-3844 for more information.

**Walk-in Counseling with SCORE.** No appointments are necessary for “Walk-In Counseling with SCORE” from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, June 7 in the small meeting room of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns.

The counseling is free. For more information about SCORE, call 602-745-7250.

**Ride, Rock and Roll. Ride** into summer the extreme way at the city of Glendale’s first Ride, Rock & Roll event, Saturday, June 14, from 6:30 to 9 pm. at [Glendale’s X-Court](#), located on the northeast corner of 83rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road.

The city of Glendale’s Transportation, Utilities and Parks and Recreation departments partnered with Radio Disney to offer residents the chance to watch cool BMX freestyle and skateboarding demonstrations, while participating in a “Flip Your Lid” Helmet Design contest, bike parade and bike beauty pageant, as part of the Travel Green initiative. The city created this first-ever event to promote bike and extreme sports safety, as well as to showcase the park’s versatility. For more information, call (623) 930-2820.

**Free CCC-CPR Class.** Learn Continuous Chest Compression CPR on Wednesday, June 18 from 7-9 p.m. at Glendale City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Classes are held once a month at various locations throughout Glendale. To reserve a spot or learn more about CCC-CPR, [click here](#).

**2008 Neighborhood Leadership Forum.** Glendale’s Citizens Advisory Commission on Neighborhoods will host its annual Leadership Forum and Spark Awards on Saturday, June 28 from 8 to 11: 30 a.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive.

The breakfast event is free and open to all Glendale residents, neighborhood leaders, community volunteers and business owners. [Click here](#) to read more in the news release.

**Glendale’s 4th of July Celebration.** Get fired up for 4th of July fun! Celebrate America’s birthday in style at Glendale’s 4th of July Celebration at Glendale Community College with hot dogs, water slides, music and fireworks. For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at (623) 930-2299, or visit [www.glendaleaz.com/events](http://www.glendaleaz.com/events). Glendale Community College is located at 6000 W. Olive Ave.

**2nd Annual World Records Day.** What in the WORLD is happening on July 26? Breaking records! Do you have what it takes to break a Guinness World Record? Give it your best shot at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center’s 2nd World Records Day on Saturday, July 26 at 10 a.m. This event will showcase a variety of established world records that are just waiting to be broken! This free event will be held in the Coyote Room at the center, located at 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. For more information, call (623) 930-4610.

[Click here](#) for the City Council Meeting schedule.

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